

April 1, 2011

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554  
***Via Electronic Filing***

Re: *Ex Parte* Presentation, WC Docket No. 07-245; GN Docket No. 09-51

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On March 31, 2011, Norine Luker of NextG Networks and the undersigned on behalf of the DAS Forum, a membership section of PCIA—The Wireless Infrastructure Association (“Parties”) met with Margaret McCarthy, Wireline Policy Advisor to Commissioner Copps.

The Parties discussed the integral role of Distributed Antenna Systems (“DAS”) in the Commission’s broadband and wireless goals. The Parties explained the positive impact that reducing barriers to DAS deployment, including by ensuring pole top access, regulated rates, and reasonable make ready timelines will have on wireless coverage and capacity. The Parties expressed support for a rebuttable presumption under which the pole owner bears the burden of demonstrating that additional make ready time beyond the mandated timelines is necessary. In the alternative, the Parties explained that an expedited docket for access complaints by wireless attachers may also be effective at ensuring that make ready timelines are met. The Parties also discussed the practice of utility pole replacement in some circumstances to accommodate wireless attachments.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter will be filed via ECFS with your office. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

Best Regards,

          /s/            
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